



**Reformed Presbyterian Church  
9:30 am Worship Service  
August 14, 2022**

We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning!

**Reformed Presbyterian Church** exists to be a stream of God's refreshing grace for people from all walks of life.

**TODAY'S SPEAKER:** We welcome Rev. Keith Irvine back to our pulpit today. Keith and Becky Irvine were long-time members at RPC. Keith joined the Westminster Presbyterian Church staff as an Associate Pastor in 2007 and retired in 2021. They have three married children and ten grandchildren: Matt and Jenn Irvine, Josh and Sara Irvine, Charity and Stephen Jones.

Worship Leader: Phil Weaver, Ruling Elder

**PRELUDES**

*Blessed Be the Name/* arr. F. Lopez  
*The Steps of a Good Man/* arr. F. Lopez

◇A time of quiet preparation

Janelle Labs, piano

**WORDS OF GREETING**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

IN WORD

Psalm 96:1-4 (ESV)

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth!

People: **Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his  
salvation from day to day.**

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: **For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.**

IN PRAYER

**\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 94 (vss. 1-4, & 6) *How Firm a Foundation*

**WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

People: **Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all those who call upon you,  
Hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins;  
And imploring your mercy and forgiveness.  
We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words;  
And by the sinful affections of our hearts.  
We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude,  
Our pride and willfulness;  
And all our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward fellow men.  
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
And of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life;  
Through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Leader: “Come now, let us reason together,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.” Isaiah 1:18 (ESV)

**\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Almighty  
Praise Anthem*

Leader: You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is in it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you. Nehemiah 9:6 (ESV)  
*Creation Sings the Father's Song*

**WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**  
CONGREGATIONAL GREETING  
WELCOME TO VISITORS

**WE SEEK GOD'S FACE**

Prayers of God's People

**WE OFFER OUR GIFTS**  
OFFERING/ OFFERTORY

*I'll Live My Life for You/* arr. J. J. Potter  
Janelle Labs, piano

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**  
SCRIPTURE READING  
SERMON

Colossians 1:15-20 (ESV)  
*Christ Controlling from Creation to Cross*  
series: Who Is This Man?  
Rev. Keith Irvine

**\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **38**  
\*WORDS OF PEACE  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
POSTLUDE

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

## Song Lyrics

### 94 (vss. 1-4, & 6) *How Firm a Foundation*

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He has said,  
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed,  
For I am your God and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
Your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

*How Firm a Foundation*, Words from Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, Music by J. Funk's A Compilation of Genuine Church Music, ©Public Domain CCLI License # 79597.

*Almighty*

You have no rival, You stand alone  
The heavens worship before Your throne  
There is no one like You  
You have no equal, Your kingdom reigns  
Yours is the highest of every name  
There is no one like You

Almighty- We're standing in the presence of Your majesty  
You're holy  
You alone the sovereign crown of royalty  
You're the King of Kings - Almighty

Our GOD eternal the great I am  
The praise of angels will never end  
There is no one like You  
Eyes like fire, Face like the sun  
A voice like thunder  
Who was and is and is to come

Almighty- We're standing in the presence of Your majesty  
You're holy  
You alone the sovereign crown of royalty  
You're the King of Kings - Almighty

I see the holy one, high and exalted  
I hide my eyes and I tremble before Him  
I tremble before Him  
I see the holy one high and exalted  
I hide my eyes and I tremble before Him  
I tremble, You are

Almighty- We're standing in the presence of Your majesty  
You're holy  
You alone the sovereign crown of royalty  
You're the King of Kings - Almighty

## **Praise Anthem**

Lord of Lords, King of Kings,  
You alone are worthy.  
All the earth and heaven sing  
praises to Your name.

Lamb of God, Holy One,  
righteous and forgiving.  
Morning star, rising sun,  
there is none like You!

Praise the Father,  
Praise the Son,  
Praise the Spirit ev'ryone.  
Praise the King of glory,  
Praise Him for eternity!

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### **Creation Sings the Father's Song**

Creation sings the Father's song He calls the sun to wake the dawn  
And run the course of day Till evening comes in crimson rays  
His fingerprints in flakes of snow His breath upon this spinning globe  
He charts the eagle's flight Commands the newborn baby's cry

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing  
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship  
Tell the wonders of creation's King

Creation gazed upon His face The ageless One in time's embrace  
Unveiled the Father's plan Of reconciling God and man  
A second Adam walked the earth  
Whose blameless life would break the curse  
Whose death would set us free To live with Him eternally

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing  
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship  
Tell the wonders of creation's King

Creation longs for His return When Christ shall reign upon the earth  
The bitter wars that rage Are birth pains of a coming age  
When He renews the land and sky All heaven will sing and earth reply  
With one resplendent theme The glory of our God and King

Hallelujah Let all creation stand and sing  
Hallelujah Fill the earth with songs of worship  
Tell the wonders of creation's King

**38 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise***

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*, Words by Walter Chalmers Smith, Music Traditional Welsh hymn melody, ©Public Domain CCLI License # 79597

## Scripture Reading

Colossians 1:15-20 (ESV)

<sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.<sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.<sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.<sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.<sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,<sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.